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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.115**

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present application, please amend the application as set forth below. This application is a continuation of copending application 09/973,529 (the “parent application”).

Applicants present this Paper for the purposes of (1) addressing certain objections raised by the Examiner during the prosecution of the parent application, (2) cancelling the claims currently pending in the present application, and (3) adding to the present application claims copied from claim 9 of Onyia et al.’s United States Patent No. 6,473,696 (“Onyia”) for the purpose of provoking an interference between the present application and the ‘696 patent. A Request For Interference With Patent Pursuant To

37 C.F.R. § 1.607 is being filed concurrently herewith. This Paper has the following parts:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this Paper.

**Amendments to the Abstract of the Disclosure** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 5 of this Paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7 of this Paper and include one new drawing to be added to the application.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this Paper.

An **Appendix** including the new drawing is attached following page 9 of this paper.